IN THE CLAIMS

1   1.   (Currently Amended) A collapsible container holder assembly

2   for ~~use~~ carrying a container in a vehicle, said container holder comprising:

3   a carrier portion adapted to be selectably mounted within the vehicle,

4   said carrier portion having at least one recessed opening formed therein, said at

5   least one recessed portion extending between a top end and an opposite bottom

6   end of said carrier portion; and

7   at least one container receptor portion having a generally horizontal

8   support surface for supporting a bottom end of the container, said receptor

9   portion being adapted to telescopically engage and be retained within said at

10   least one opening formed in said carrier portion, said at least one container

11   receptor portion ~~is~~ being adjustable between an extended and collapsed

12   position relative to said carrier portion, said receptor portion protruding axially

13   ~~outwardly~~ and downwardly relative to said bottom end while in said extended

14   position such that said support surface is substantially below said bottom end.

1   2.   (Previously Amended) The container holder assembly of claim

2   1 wherein said carrier portion further comprises at least one retaining member

3   adapted to engage at least one complementary mounting point at the vehicle.

1   3.   (Previously Amended) The container holder assembly of claim

2   1 further comprising a locking mechanism for locking said at least one

3   container receptor portion in said extended position.

1   4.   (Previously Amended) The container holder assembly of claim

2   3 wherein said locking mechanism is locked by rotating said at least one

3   container receptor portion in a first direction while extended and unlocked by

4   rotating the at least one container receptor portion in an opposite direction.

1   5.   (Previously Amended) The container holder assembly of claim

2   1 wherein said at least one container receptor portion comprises at least one

3   retaining arm disposed on an exterior surface, said at least one retaining arm

4   operative to prevent said at least one container receptor portion from being

5   pushed out from said carrier portion when said at least one container receptor

6   portion is moved to said collapsed position.

1   6.   (Currently Amended) A collapsible container holder assembly,

2   said container holder comprising:

3   a carrier portion adapted to be selectably mountable to a plurality of

4   complementary mounting positions within the vehicle, said carrier portion

5   having at least one recessed opening formed therein, said at least one recessed

6   portion extending between a top end and an opposite bottom end of said carrier

7   portion; and

8   at least one container receptor portion <u>having a generally horizontal</u>

9   <u>support surface for supporting a bottom end of the container, said receptor</u>

10   <u>portion being</u> adapted to telescopically engage and be retained within said at

11   least one opening formed in said carrier portion, said at least one container

12   receptor portion ~~is~~ <u>being</u> adjustable between an extended and collapsed

13   position relative to said carrier portion, said receptor portion protruding axially

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14   ~~outwardly~~ and downwardly relative to said bottom end while in said extended

15   position such that said support surface is substantially below said bottom end.

1   7.   (Previously Amended) The container holder assembly of claim

2   6 further comprising a locking mechanism for locking said at least one

3   container receptor portion in said extended position.

1   8.   (Previously Amended) The container holder assembly of claim

2   7 wherein said locking mechanism is locked by rotating said at least one

3   container receptor portion in a first direction while extended and unlocked by

4   rotating said at least one container receptor portion in an opposite direction.

1   9.   (Previously Amended) The container holder assembly of claim

2   8 wherein said carrier portion further comprises at least one retaining member

3   adapted to engage at least one complementary mounting point at each of said

4   plurality of complementary mounting positions within the vehicle.

1   10.   (Canceled)